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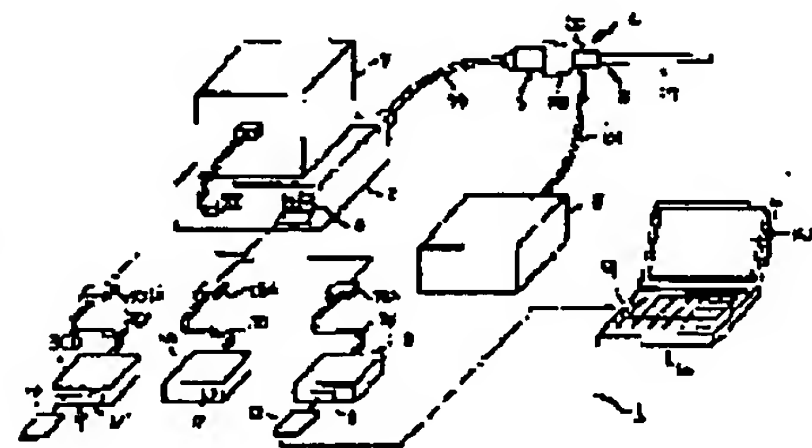
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(54) ENDOSCOPE IMAGING SYSTEM

(57)Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide an endoscope imaging system with which retrieval or editing can be facilitated corresponding to both still image and moving images and the degradation of image quality can be reduced.

SOLUTION: A CCU 6 for performing signal processing to the imaging means of an endoscope 4 externally attached to a video camera outputs a video signal from an analog video output terminal to a color monitor 7 and has a digital video output terminal 8, one of an extension unit 9 for still image for compressing still images and an extension unit 10 for moving image for compressing moving images can be connected to this digital video output terminal 8 and when the extension unit 9 for still picture is connected, the compressed still images can be recorded on a PC card 12 but when the extension unit 10 for moving image connected, the compressed moving images can be recorded on a DVD or the like by operating a release switch. Besides, images can be easily retrieved, edited or processed by a personal computer 14 almost without degrading the image quality in that case.



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